

OVERVIEW: DES & TRIBAL RELATIONS



DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC SECURITY

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DES Mission & Background

The Arizona Department of Economic Security was established in 1972 by consolidating multiple state agencies to provide an integrated approach to human services.

Mission: To promote the safety, well-being, and self-sufficiency of children, adults, and families.

Vision: Every child, adult, and family in the state of Arizona will be safe and economically secure.

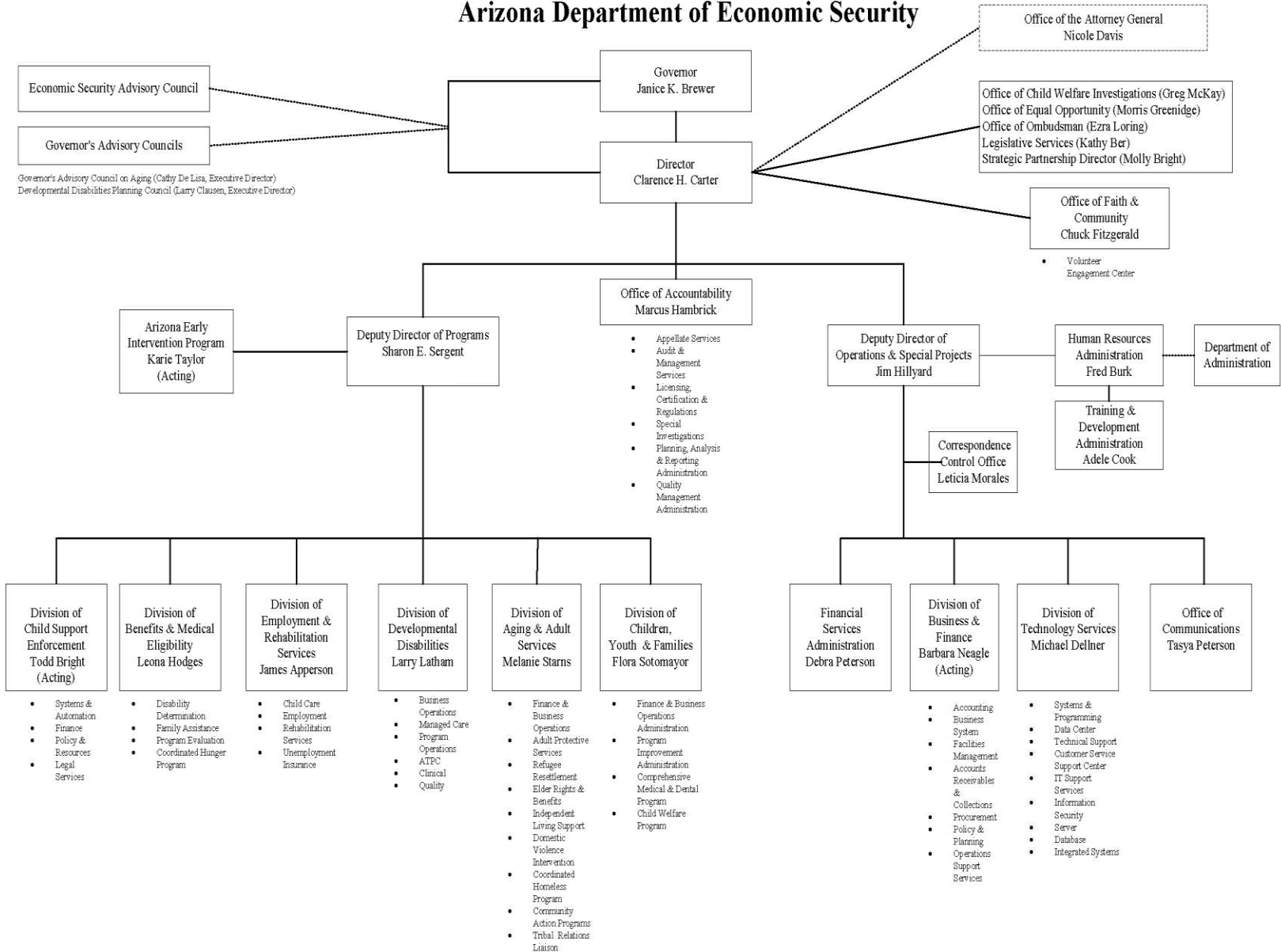
Goals:

- Strengthen Individuals and Families
- Increase Self-Sufficiency
- Collaborate with Communities to Increase Capacity
- Increase Efficiency and Effectiveness through Innovation and Accountability

Values: Respect, Diversity, Collaboration, Accountability, and Innovation



Arizona Department of Economic Security



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Divisions

Aging and Adult Services (DAAS) – Melanie Starns, Assistant Director

Benefits and Medical Eligibility (DBME) – Leona Hodges, Assistant Director

Child Support Services (DCSS) – Todd Bright, Assistant Director

Children, Youth & Families (DCYF) – Flora Sotomayor, Assistant Director

Developmental Disabilities (DDD), Larry Latham, Assistant Director

Employment and Rehabilitation Services (DERS) – James Apperson, Assistant Director



Division of Aging & Adult Services

Division of Aging and Adult Service (DAAS) supports at-risk Arizonans to meet their basic needs and to live safely, with dignity and independence. DAAS accomplishes their mission through a number of programs and initiatives:

- Adult Protective Services
- Refugee Resettlement
- Elder Rights & Benefits
- Independent Living Support
- Domestic Violence Intervention
- Coordinated Homeless Program
- Community Action Programs
- Tribal Relations Liaison
- Financial Operations

DAAS Tribal Liaison: Vacant



Division of Benefits and Medical Eligibility

Division of Benefits and Medical Eligibility (DBME) oversees three administrations with varying responsibilities to support the Department of Economic Security's mission to promote the safety, well-being, and self-sufficiency of children, adults, and families.

- Disability Determination
- Family Assistance
- Program Evaluation
- Coordinated Hunger Program
- Financial Operations



DBME Tribal Liaisons: Tomasita Kaibetoney, Chantal Steller



Division of Child Support Services

Division of Child Support Services (DCSS) works with the DES food stamps, cash assistance, vocational rehabilitation, jobs and child care programs to ensure that both the custodial and non-custodial parents have the support they need in order to take steps toward their and their family's well-being and self-sufficiency.

- Systems & Automation
- Finance
- Policy & Resources
- Legal Services
- Financial Operations



DCSS Tribal Liaison: Marjorie Cook



Division of Children, Youth & Families

The Division of Children, Youth & Families (DCYF) is a human service organization dedicated to achieving safety, well-being and permanency for children, youth and families through leadership and the provision of quality services in partnership with communities.

- Finance and Business Operations Administration
- Program Improvement Administration
- Comprehensive Medical & Dental Program
- Child Welfare Program
- Financial Operations



DCYF Tribal Liaison: Vickie Steinhoff



Division of Developmental Disabilities

Division of Developmental Disabilities (DDD) services and supports help more than 28,000 individuals with developmental disabilities achieve self-sufficiency and independence. DDD offers supports for family members and other caregivers. DDD believes that people can best be supported in integrated community settings and the majority of the Division's programs and services are tailored to meet individual needs in their home and other community settings.

- Business Operations
- Managed Care
- Program Operations
- ATPC
- Clinical
- Quality
- Financial Operations



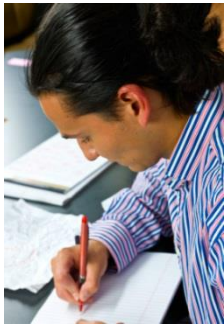
DDD Tribal Liaison: Kim Simmons



Division of Employment & Rehabilitation Services

Division of Employment and Rehabilitation Services (DERS) is the part of DES that helps people to work. People who are out of work and need unemployment insurance benefits, people who want a job or a better job, people with traumatic brain injuries, employers who need employees, people who are disabled and need assistance to work, people who need quality, reliable childcare services so they can work – all of these individuals and more receive services from programs organized in DERS.

- Child Care
- Employment
- Rehabilitation Services
- Unemployment Insurance
- Financial Operations



DERSTribal Liaisons: Lucy Rubi, Andrea Benkendorf



Tribal Liaison Listing

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